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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO MEXICO: SCHEDULING AND
SCENARIO PREPARATION

1. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES GUIDELINES ON DEVELOPING THE
SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE, ON PREPARING EVENT SCENARIOS, AND ON
THE CLASSIFICATION AND HANDLING OF SCHEDULE INFORMATION.
S/S ADVANCE TEAM WILL PROVIDE FURTHER ASSISTANCE UPON
ARRIVAL.

2. SCHEDULING:

A. THE SECRETARY WISHES TO DEFER TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE TO
HIS HOSTS' SUGGESTIONS AND JUDGMENT ON HIS VISIT SCHEDULE.
WITHOUT PRESSING HOST GOVERNMENT, POST SHOULD REPORT SCHED-
ULING INFORMATION AND SUGGESTIONS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.
REMEMBER TO INCLUDE:

--TIME AND LOCATION OF PROPOSED MEETINGS AND OTHER EVENTS,
INCLUDING SUGGESTED PARTICIPANTS ON BOTH SIDES.

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--TRAVEL TIME BETWEEN EVENTS.

--INDEPENDENT ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY
ASIDE FROM THE SECRETARY.

--ANTICIPATED PRESS ARRANGEMENTS AND COVERAGE FOR ALL
EVENTS, INCLUDING ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

B. THE SCHEDULE SHOULD PROVIDE BLOCKS OF FREE TIME, WHICH
MAY THEN BE USED FOR TOURISM, REST OR STAFF TIME BY THE
SECRETARY. THIRTY MINUTES TO AN HOUR AT THE HOTEL FOLLOW-
ING ARRIVAL, PRIOR TO THE FIRST EVENT, IS DESIRABLE IF
THIS IS LOGISTICALLY FEASIBLE. UP TO TWO HOURS AT OTHER
POINTS IN THE SCHEDULE IS ACCEPTABLE. THERE IS NO NEED TO
SCHEDULE ALL POSSIBLE MEALS. AN HOUR OF PERSONAL TIME
FOLLOWING OFFICIAL LUNCHTIME EVENTS IS PREFERRED.

C. THE POST SHOULD PREPARE A BRIEFING PACKAGE FOR EACH
MEMBER OF THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION. A MODIFIED WELCOME KIT,
INCLUDING CURRENT INFORMATION ON THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC
SITUATION IN MEXICO, SHOULD SUFFICE. THESE MAY BE PLACED
IN THE DELEGATES' HOTEL ROOMS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. THE
SECRETARIAT WILL FURNISH EACH DELEGATE WITH A PARTICIPATION
SCHEDULE AND A PACKAGE OF UNCLASSIFIED BIOGRAPHIC SKETCHES
ON KEY MEXICAN LEADERS.

3. SCENARIOS: POSTS SHOULD SUBMIT SCENARIO INFORMATION
FOR EACH EVENT ON THE SECRETARY'S SCHEDULE, IDEALLY TEN
DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. SCENARIOS SHOULD EXPLICITLY STATE
WHETHER ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE STATEMENTS, TOASTS, ETC., ARE
RECOMMENDED OR EXPECTED. A RECAPITULATION CAST IN THE FORM
OF A DETAILED SCENARIO SHOULD BE SENT BY IMMEDIATE CABLE TO
THE SECRETARY'S PARTY APPROXIMATELY 48 HOURS BEFORE
SECRETARY'S ETA.

--IF THE PARTY IS TRAVELING, AN INFO COPY OF THIS CABLE
SHOULD BE SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT.

4. SCENARIO FORMAT:

A. ARRIVAL SCENARIO:
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10:00 AM ARRIVE BLANDIA MILITARY AIRPORT.

MET AT PLANESIDE BY FOREIGN MINISTER MUSA ADAMU
AND AMBASSADOR SEAN O'NEILL.

NATIONAL ANTHEMS.

REVIEW HONOR GUARD, WITH FOREIGN MINISTER.

GREET SENIOR BLANDIAN AND EMBASSY OFFICIALS ON TARMAC.

PROCEED TO TERMINAL FOR ADAMU'S WELCOMING REMARKS AND SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL STATEMENT.(MICROPHONE AND PODIUM IN PLACE -- CONSECUTIVE INTERPRETATION BY MR. LINGUAL.)

FULL PRESS COVERAGE.

10:20 AM EXIT TERMINAL TO WAITING MOTORCADE, AMBASSADOR O'NEILL AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY MCKEE WILL ACCOMPANY SECRETARY TO HOTEL.

10:40 AM ARRIVE HOTEL ABLE.

30 MINUTES FREE TIME.

B. MEETING SCENARIO:

11:10 AM DEPART HOTEL, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR O'NEILL AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY MCKEE.

11:25 AM ARRIVE FOREIGN MINISTRY. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SAMUTO WILL ESCORT SECRETARY TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S OFFICE.

11:30 AM MEETING BEGINS.

PROBABLE BLANDIAN PARTICIPANTS (WILL BE CONFIRMED SOONEST):
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FOREIGN MINISTER ADAMU
CHIEF OF AMERICAS DIVISION BOBOBO
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER NDUTO
POOL PHOTO OPPORTUNITY AT COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING.
LINGUAL WILL INTERPRET.

C. DINNER SCENARIO:

8:15 PM DEPART HOTEL. ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR O'NEILL AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY MCKEE.

8:30 PM ARRIVAL PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE FOR STAG DINNER BY PRESIDENT SAIDU.

DARK SUIT -- 48 GUESTS, INCLUDING ENTIRE BLANDI-
AN CABINET. OFFICIAL AMERICAN GUESTS: ASSIS-
TANT SECRETARY MCKEE, AMBASSADOR O'NEILL,
MESSRS. FUNSETH, LORD AND MACRAKEN.

GREET OTHER GUESTS IN RECEPTION LINE WITH PRESI-
DENT SAIDU AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL POOKAH.
(LINGUAL AVAILABLE TO INTERPRET)
PRESS PHOTO OPPORTUNITY.

9:00 PM DINNER

SERVICE AT TABLES FOR SIX.

PRESIDENT SAIDU WILL BE AT SECRETARY'S LEFT AND
FOREIGN MINISTER ADAMU AT HIS RIGHT. OTHER HEAD
TABLE GUESTS: INTERIOR MINISTER KHALID, ARMY
MINISTER ABUBAKAR, CHIEF JUSTICE CREDULA AND
PROTOCOL CHIEF POOKAH.

10:15 PM PRESIDENT SAIDU PROPOSES FIVE-MINUTE INFORMAL
TOAST TO WHICH SECRETARY RESPONDS. CONSECUTIVE
INTERPRETATION BY LINGUAL.

POOL PRESS COVERAGE.
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10:30 PM SECRETARY JOINS PRESIDENT SAIDU FOR TETE-A-TETE
IN ADJOINING ANTEROOM.

10:50 PM REJOIN OTHER GUESTS FOR COFFEE AND LIQUEURS.

11:15 PM DEPART PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE.

11:30 PM ARRIVE HOTEL.

5. CLASSIFICATION OF MESSAGES: EVEN AFTER YOU RECEIVE
THE SECRETARY'S BASIC ITINERARY AND THE TRIP IS OFFICIALLY
ANNOUNCED, YOU MUST CONTINUE TO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE
CLASSIFICATION AND HANDLING OF MESSAGES CONTAINING DETAILED
SCHEDULING AND SCENARIO INFORMATION. ALL SUCH MESSAGES
SHOULD RECEIVE AN EXDIS CAPTION AND A CLASSIFICATION NO
LOWER THAN CONFIDENTIAL. THE AMBASSADOR IS AUTHORIZED TO
SHARE SUCH INFORMATION ONLY WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS DIRECT-
LY INVOLVED IN PLANNING THE VISIT AND WITH THE S/S ADVANCE
TEAM. THIS EXTRA PRECAUTION IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE
SENSITIVE NATURE OF DETAILED SCHEDULING AND TO ENSURE THAT
THE PERSONAL SECURITY OF THE SECRETARY (AND HIS FAMILY) IS

SAFEGUARDED.

6. EXDIS CAPTION MAY BE REMOVED FROM THIS MESSAGE UPON
ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE VISIT. KISSINGER

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